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While the earth remains,
seedtime and harvest, cold
and heat, summer and
winter, day and night, shall
not cease. Genesis 8 v 22

With sadness in our hearts the Triangle goes to the printers on the day of the funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. At the same time, we welcome His Majesty King Charles III

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On our cover

Harvest time in Slingsby – thank you to Lesley Clay for sending this colourful picture of a combine at work in one of the fields down the bottom of Green Dyke Lane; and thank you to Audrey Foster for a very appropriate biblical quote.

A day at the races for local charities!



Twenty-two local Yorkshire charities were lucky enough to be drawn in the Skybet Community Sweepstake and were invited to attend the Ebor festival at York races on Saturday 20th August. Each charity was randomly matched with a horse in the big race of the day, the Ebor Handicap. The winner would win £10,000 for their charity.

Three very local charities (seen in the photo):

- Ryedale Community Foodbank
- Swinton and District brass band
- Norton Hive Library and Community Hub

cheered on their nominated horses. Unfortunately, they did not win, but all were over the moon with £1000 for each of their charities, and all the charities that did not place in the race.

John Breckon from Slingsby, a volunteer with Ryedale Community Foodbank, who represented them at the races said

“This money will go a long way towards tackling the increased demand for food due to the current economic situation which is leaving more people in food poverty. We had budgeted to spend £500 per month on food to top up food donations, but we are currently spending £2000+. This money will be a big help. Thanks to all at York Racecourse and SkyBet for supporting so many worthwhile local causes.”

Ryedale Community Foodbank currently has collection points in Morrisons, Sainsbury Local, Lidl, Swinton Building Society and Natwest Bank if you would like to donate any items.

Jo Breckon

STOP PRESS... There is now a Ryedale Community Foodbank collection point at the back of All Saints Church Slingsby.

A Wedding

Rebecca and Stephen were married at Slingsby Chapel on 27th August. It was a wonderful wedding, so relaxed and a really happy occasion with the Rev Peter Sheasby officiating and of course the weather was just perfect. Guests of family and friends had come from as far away as Australia and they were joined by members of the Slingsby congregation. Stephen and Rebecca will live in Slingsby along with Rebecca's daughter Jessica.

Stephen Prest



Photo shows the family group outside chapel

Produce Show – preview

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Please remember that ALL the website and Triangle team are volunteers! Further offers of help are always welcome.

Ed

Parish Survey - Have you completed the Parish Survey?

- Yes - that's great and thank you.
- No - it is really important that you do, your comments will help shape the way forward for the parish.

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Need assistance getting a form or returning it? Don't worry call Fiona on 628285 and I will arrange to drop off or collect a survey.

Please note The Triangle understands that if you are a little later than 30th September the Parish Council will still accept your survey.

Proposed Development Sites in Slingsby

It is not too late to make comments on any one or all of the development sites within the village.

Ryedale District Council will take comments from residents, well into the New Year.

You can either email your comments to localplan@ryedale.gov.uk or post them to the District Council at Ryedale House.

Struggling to put your thoughts down? Don't worry, you can contact any of your parish councillors, in confidence, or email the parish council at slingsbypc@gmail.com or ring Fiona Farnell on 01653 628285, all will be happy to help you get your views heard.



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Slingsby Allotments Association Plots Available

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If you are interested or wish to add your name to the waiting list for future vacancies, please contact Brian Clarke Tel 628625.

Plots are offered in date order so the sooner you put your name down the earlier you will be offered a tenancy.

Slingsby Ladies Group

At the July meeting our speaker was Rosemary Cook who gave us a talk about The Crimes of Dr Gramshaw. Dr Gramshaw was a family doctor in Yorkshire who practiced from 1872 to 1908. He was born near Wolverhampton and from 1873 he was the local GP in Stillington, where he and his family were very active in village life and the local church. However, whilst a pillar of the community, he was very 'flexible' about his age and qualifications. The family moved from Stillington to York, possibly because of an affair?

He visited Margaret Brown, a governess, who had come to York on holiday. After visiting her, she became ill, suffered a miscarriage and died. The implication was that Gramshaw was having an affair with her. Soon afterwards, Dr Gramshaw was found unconscious from an overdose and died. He is buried in Stillington, afterwards he was declared insane. It was later declared that Margaret Brown had died due to peritonitis caused by septic poisoning. It was a fascinating talk from Rosemary, and we enjoyed a lovely evening.

We have made the decision that during the winter months, ie from November, we shall hold the meetings in the afternoon, with a start time of 2pm. We shall then revert back to evening meetings in April.

If you would like to join our Group, why not come to a meeting at The Methodist School Room and see if it's something you might want to join. You would be most welcome.

Liz Senior

Brickyard Bulletin

Isn't time flying by?

We started harvesting barley on 17th July, wheat was finished by 15th August, and we cut the last beans on 31st August – the earliest finish (and driest) harvest I can remember. It wasn't bad either really!

Winter barley averaged out at about 3.6t/acre, wheat 4.14t/acre, spring barley and spring oats about 2t/acre, and beans a sniff over a ton to the acre. Winter crops were a bit up on our average because they went in well and had passed key growth stages by the time the drought hit. Spring crops weren't so lucky, but did ok, and quality has been pleasing.

The root crops are a very mixed bag, from very good to quite awful, but we won't know for sure till we get them harvested. Time is up for the potatoes (I started topping and desiccating in the last few days of August, ready to start lifting potatoes around 22nd September). But there is time for beet to catch up a bit yet – sunshine is energy, which makes sugar, and is the bit we are paid for. It's better for us (being a long way from the factory) to take a smaller root yield with a higher sugar percentage.

Selling crops has seldom been so hard to get right. Some we grow on contract, but most of the cereals are for the open market. Historically we have sold about a third forward, a third at harvest and a third later. The cheapest wheat this harvest was sold for £168/t in January 2020 (just pre-Brexit) for movement in September 2022. It wasn't a high tonnage, but was a nod to the unknown – had prices fallen dramatically, I'd wish I'd sold more! The highest I've sold for this harvest was £307, sold in May for October movement – that's as wide a spread as I've known - we're in rum old times. The current open market wheat price, for context, is £265/t.

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There is concern that due to a decline in pigs and poultry in the UK that the demand for feed wheat may fall enough to drop the wheat price a good bit, which is a concern when input prices are at an all time high. Volatility is here to stay I think, so I shall follow dad's mantle of 'just do a bit, then you can't get it all wrong' – I'm certainly glad I didn't sell any more than two loads at £168! (No regrets though, it was the right decision on the day)

Harvest was the driest I've experienced (I wasn't born till Nov 1976, by which time it was raining!) and with the extreme heat, have had to be more fastidious than normal at keeping the combine clean – there have been many fires in the area. Our moisture target for is 14.5%, and we usually manage to cut everything under about 18% so it's not too onerous to dry. This year we cut the majority at 12-13%, with some drier still. This has cost us a bit of yield (1% moisture = about 1.5% weight) but with no drying costs I'm not complaining, given the price of fuel. Specific weights (in simple terms, how much a litre of grain weighs) are above average too, which is always helpful.

Due to the oat price being stubbornly low, and a weed issue in a couple of fields, we have sown some oilseed rape this year. The field was mucked pre drilling, and with rain forecast the next day, we drilled it on 19th August. The rain was nobbut a splash, so it's been a bit steady growing till the last week or so. The flea beetles and slugs have found it, but hopefully it'll get up and away before the pigeons spot it! (I'm ever the optimist)

We started drilling cover crops of mostly oats, oil radish and phacelia on 23rd August which again are a mixed bag due to the dry weather, but if we didn't drill them, they'd never grow. Sometimes you must take a punt and hope for the best.

One 'crop' that has enjoyed summer is our Pollen and Nectar plots. We have three of these around the farm to encourage pollinators and predator insects to stave off aphids, which are quite effective really. They, together with quite a mixed rotation of crops do reduce our reliance on chemicals. This brings me to our regenerative potato trials, for which I will have the results ready for my next article.



In the meantime, we've had another pig batch change, have spread some muck, and are busy drilling, with potato harvesting not far away. There's always a job!

Keep well everybody *Andrew Wilson*

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Oil Consortium

Hopefully by the time the Triangle is printed everyone will have had their September delivery after the delay caused by the funeral of the queen.

The last two order dates for 2022 are 1st November and 1st December and then 1st February and 1st April in 2023.

When the government announced the cap on energy prices recently, they did for the first time suggest they would do something to help with the cost of oil. They said they would set up a "new fund". But at the moment they haven't said how this will work or when help can be expected.

It's interesting to compare the cost of different heat sources. As of 1st October 2022, the government has capped the cost of gas at 10.33p per kWh and electricity at 34.07p per kWh.

To compare with the cost of gas, the price of a litre of oil has recently been about £1 per litre. There are 10.35kWh of energy in a litre of oil, which makes the comparable cost about 9.66p per kWh.

Though the efficiency of your boiler has an effect on the actual cost of your heating.

It will be interesting to see what the government does to support oil users.

Terry Baker

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Memories of Ann Pearson Former Slingsby School Teacher

A couple of issues ago, I remember reading a short piece in the Triangle from the daughter of Ann Pearson (one time teacher/assistant at Slingsby school), asking if anyone remembered her? I do, fondly.

I started Slingsby school in 1981 (if I recall correctly) and moved on to Malton secondary school in 1988.

I remember a few things about Ann - her slightly faded blue Renault 4 car for one thing, with its quirky front corner handles and dash mounted gear levers (things on wheels interested me even back then!)

What sticks most in my mind is her quiet nature and unending patience and perseverance with grumpy kids who wanted to be out on the farm instead of in school. In fact, she often called me 'Percy' - a reference to my lack of perseverance and tendency to give up too easily. She must have got through to me though, because my mantra now is more one of 'There's always a better way' (of doing everything) - and I'm far too determined (stubborn) to give up on anything too easily!

Ann was always 'Mrs Pearson' at school, and I have genuinely wondered at various junctures in life as to what she went on to do - it was great to read that she is still around.

Should Ann or her family wish to meet up for tea and a bun, I'll happily show her around the farm or meet for a chat somewhere.

With my best wishes Andrew (Percy!) Wilson



Slingsby School

Open Day for Prospective Families

– 11th October 2022

We are delighted to confirm that we will be holding a school Open Day on 11th October 2022 for families who have a child/ren starting primary school next September. Anyone wishing to visit must book a one-hour appointment slot via the School Office either by emailing admin@slingsby.n-yorks.sch.uk or by telephoning 01653 628370.

I have been incredibly proud of how brilliantly the new term has started after the summer break. The children have returned with an excellent attitude to work and behaviour which I hope will continue throughout the year! Our new Reception year children have settled in quickly and we have welcomed Mrs Martindale to the team as our new Class 3 teacher who brings with her a wealth of knowledge and experience.

We have been working hard on our village Produce Show handwriting and art work entries; and this year for the first time (and despite the drought) we have been able to enter eating apples and sunflowers from our school garden too!

We look forward to meeting any new prospective parents at our Open Day.

Mr Smith, Headteacher

All Saints Church update



Events to Christmas

We are holding several events this Autumn and hope to welcome many parishioners to share them with us.

- Saturday 24th September - The fabulous Harmonia Singers in concert with their upbeat and beautiful music in All Saints at 7.30pm. Wine and canapés included in the £5 ticket.

- Saturday 8th October - an Italian evening in the Village Hall. Two-course meal with quiz and hopefully some live music. Bring your own drinks and glasses. Tickets £15 adult and £5 children.

Christmas events

- Sunday 11th December - we are holding the Parish Christmas lunch in The Village Hall, building on the success of last year's lunch.
- Friday 16th till 31st December - the Christmas Tree festival on display in the church. There will be around 20 decorated and lit trees with a festive theme.
- Saturday 17th December - our annual Christmas concert of songs and carols with Terrington Singers, coffee and mince pies.

Tickets for all events from:

- Anita 07935830476
- Chrysa 07779333489 (628128)
- Diane 07557850383
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Chrysa Apps

Soupa Lunch



Soupa lunch has started again after our summer break and it takes place on the third Wednesday of the month. The next 2 dates are 19th October and 16th November. We do encourage people to join us in the Chapel Schoolroom at 12 noon on these days so we can enjoy the food together and enjoy each other's company also. For anyone with mobility problems who can't make the journey we will continue with our home delivery service.

Lovely soup and sandwiches and great puddings with a cup of tea or coffee, it is really good and there is no charge but donations are always welcome.

Contacts are Stephen and Rachel Prest: 01653 628277.

Queen Elizabeth II obituary

Britain's longest-serving monarch whose reign was defined by an unwavering sense of commitment to her people and her country



The portrait of the Queen released by the royal family with the official announcement of her death

JANE BROWN/CAMERA PRESS

When the Queen became this country's longest-serving monarch, the humility with which she acknowledged the passing of that historic moment reflected the same selfless dedication with which she once promised to serve her people. Some 68 years separated the pledge she made in Cape Town on her 21st birthday and the modest speech that she made on passing Queen Victoria's record in September 2015, but even if the empire to which she devoted herself no longer exists, the values she spoke of then were the values to which she still held true a lifetime later. "My whole life," she said, in that resonant passage that captured imaginations worldwide in 1947, "whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service."

It was, in the event, a long life, one that both straddled history and made history.

Princess Elizabeth

'The future Queen Elizabeth II was born in the early hours of April 21, 1926. She was the daughter of the Duchess of York, the 25-year-old wife of George V's second son, Albert. The birth took place at 17 Bruton Street, Mayfair, the home of her mother's parents, the Earl and Countess of Strathmore. It was

a difficult delivery: the official bulletin referred to medical complications and "a certain line of treatment", a circumlocution which the newspapers of the day declined to translate. She was delivered, in other words, by caesarean section.

A childhood ambition

As a child, Elizabeth told Horace Smith, her riding master, that when she grew up she would like to be "a lady living in the country, with lots of dogs and horses", and she always appeared happiest when she was at Balmoral or Sandringham, surrounded by her animals.

Meeting Philip

[Princess Elizabeth's] natural reserve, however, did not prevent her from noticing the handsome young cadet who spent the afternoon with them during a visit to the Royal Naval College, Dartmouth, in July 1939. Elizabeth was 13 years old.

There was an outbreak of mumps and chickenpox at the college and it was thought inadvisable for the two princesses to attend chapel with their parents. Cadet Captain Prince Philip of Greece was 18 and was asked by his uncle, Lord Louis Mountbatten — "Uncle Dickie" — who was part of the royal party, to entertain the princesses.

Philip, who had led a peripatetic existence since his family had been exiled from Greece, was not a wholly unknown quantity. He was, like Elizabeth, a great-great-grandchild of Queen Victoria and he had known the British royal family since he was a child, when he took tea at Buckingham Palace with Queen Mary. She reported him as being "a nice little boy with very blue eyes".

Wartime

In spring 1945, [she was] allowed to join the Auxiliary Territorial Service and take a course in vehicle maintenance at Aldershot in Hampshire. It was only a three-week course and, instead of sleeping with the other young women in their huts, she was whisked back to Windsor every night. However, she enjoyed the chatty cups of tea with the other girls and learnt how to service an army truck. However brief her stint in the ATS was — only a few months — it gave her a brief taste of freedom and a uniform.

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Getting married

When [Phillip] proposed to her at Balmoral in the summer of 1946 she immediately set about trying to win her father round. It did not take her long, because the King had already been addressing some of the issues raised by the potential match, such as how Prince Philip of Greece should become a British subject. An accommodation was soon reached: the couple could become engaged but it had to remain a secret until after the family's royal tour of South Africa the following spring.

Norman Hartnell, the royal dressmaker, designed a dress fit for a fairytale princess, of ivory silk decorated with pearls arranged as roses of York, entwined with ears of corn embroidered in crystal. He liked to tell the story of how his manager was stopped at customs after a buying trip to the US and was asked if he had anything to declare. "Yes," he said, "ten thousand pearls for the wedding dress of Princess Elizabeth."

On the morning of the wedding — November 20, 1947 — it took Hartnell and his team an hour and ten minutes to fit the dress and 15ft train.

[Her parents], the King and Queen were so moved that they were close to tears. As the King told the archbishop: "It is a far more moving thing to give your daughter away than to be married yourself."

Becoming Queen (and her father's death)

George VI died in his sleep at Sandringham on February 6, 1952; Elizabeth became queen while sitting on the platform of Treetops Hotel in Kenya, watching the animals.

She was still only 25 when she became Queen — as the dawning of a new "Elizabethan age". Churchill hoped for "a golden age of art and letters" and a time of "true and lasting peace".

Supporting Prime Ministers

she made a point of reading thoroughly her government red boxes and would enjoy catching out ministers who might have skimmed their official briefs.

"The Queen never reads a book," said one of her private secretaries, "but when it comes to state papers she is a very quick and absorbent reader — doesn't miss a thing. She impresses all the prime ministers."

Children

Prince Charles was born in the evening of November 14, 1948. Elizabeth was enchanted with her son.

Princess Anne, later known as the Princess Royal, was born at Clarence House on August 15, 1950.

Prince Andrew was born on February 19, 1960; Prince Edward followed four years later, on March 10, 1964.

Television

The Queen agreed to let the cameras in. Royal Family, which was first shown in July 1969, was a revolution in the way that the royals were depicted on screen. Until then it was unheard of to see the Queen working on a speech with her private secretary, let alone relaxing with her family on a picnic

Respect and affection

The Silver Jubilee in 1977 was a surprising success, as indeed was every jubilee that followed, suggesting that, whatever the media might say, and whatever day-to-day grumbles people might have had about the royals, there was an underlying respect and affection for the Queen that was remarkably resilient.

Diana

The Queen had already been on the throne for nine years when the woman who would have a greater impact on the monarchy than anyone since Wallis Simpson was born. When, in the second half of 1980, Charles began to take Lady Diana Spencer seriously as a possible bride

As the marriage deteriorated and a partisan war developed between Charles and Diana's camps, at pains not to take sides, the Queen felt that she could not interfere to help to save her son's marriage;

Charles decided there was no future in their marriage and asked his wife for a legal separation. It was announced on December 9.

The marriage formally came to an end on August 28, 1996. Almost exactly a year later Diana was killed in a car crash in Paris. In the week that followed, a spontaneous public outpouring of grief for Diana was accompanied by a groundswell of opinion that the Queen, who was at Balmoral with Charles, William and Harry when the news broke, had somehow failed to respond in a way that the press and public deemed appropriate.

That evening [after Diana's funeral] she spoke live on television of Diana as "an exceptional and gifted human being" who she "admired and respected". In a conclusion that carried a surprising note of humility the Queen added: "I, for one, believe that there are lessons to be drawn from her life and from the extraordinary and moving reaction to her death." It was a touching and sincere broadcast that struck the right note and won over most of her critics

1992 – an annus horribilis

On November 20, Philip and Elizabeth's 45th wedding anniversary, a fire broke out at Windsor Castle when a restorer's lamp set a curtain alight. The Queen was devastated; not only was Windsor the symbol of the monarchy, it was her childhood home and the place she loved more than anywhere else.

As well as the Windsor fire and the breakdown of Charles and Diana's marriage, there had been the divorce of Princess Anne and Captain Mark Phillips, and the separation of the Duke and Duchess of York.

"1992 is not a year on which I shall look back with undiluted pleasure," the Queen said. "In the words of one of my more sympathetic correspondents, it has turned out to be an annus horribilis."

A respected Head of State



(last column) Riding in a carriage along The Mall with President Mandela during his state visit to Britain in 1996

SIMON KREITEM/REUTERS

A new century

Slowly, the family's stock began to rise. The Queen continued with her daily duties. Contrary to the impression that Diana might have given, Charles proved himself publicly what he had always been privately: a good father to William and Harry.

The death of Princess Margaret in February 2002 and the Queen Mother the next month evoked great sympathy for the Queen. The celebrations for the Golden Jubilee that year showed that the royal ship was back on course and in 2005, after years when it seemed uncertain that Camilla Parker Bowles would ever be welcomed into the royal family, she and Charles married at Windsor.



The Queen giggling as she passes the Duke of Edinburgh, in his uniform as colonel of the Grenadier Guards, at Buckingham Palace in 2003

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The Commonwealth and Scotland

When Elizabeth acceded to the throne she was Queen of 32 nations. By the end of the 20th century that number had been whittled down to 16. In 1999 Australia — where memories still rankled over how Sir John Kerr, the governor-general and the Queen's representative, had sacked Gough Whitlam as prime minister in 1975 — held a referendum on whether the country should become a republic. The voters, unimpressed with the alternatives on offer, voted to keep the monarchy. By the time the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh paid their last, triumphant visit there in 2011, republicanism was well off the political agenda.

In 2014, when the referendum on whether Scotland should leave the United Kingdom was proving to be a closer-fought battle than anticipated, the Queen made a delicately worded but deliberate last-minute intervention to save the Union by allowing herself to be heard telling a member of the public that she hoped people would “think very carefully about the future”.

London Olympics



Appearing with James Bond (Daniel Craig) in a short and hugely popular film made for the opening ceremony of the London Olympics in 2012

BBC

William and Kate

One of the most significant factors in the revival of the family's popularity was the arrival of Kate Middleton. William and Harry had already shown a new informality in their way of approaching their royal responsibilities, but it was William's marriage

to the daughter of a middle-class couple from Berkshire that showed how the royal family was moving away from its traditional, hidebound assumptions — not least about breeding, in every sense of the word — and adapting to the 21st century.

The Queen is said to have liked the cosy atmosphere at the Cambridges' family home, where the duchess's mother, Carole, has been a regular fixture.

Ninetieth Birthday



The photograph of the Queen and the Prince of Wales that was released in December 2016 to mark the end of the monarch's 90th year

NICK KNIGHT/COURTESY OF CLARENCE HOUSE/REUTERS

Harry and Megan

The marriage of Prince Harry to Meghan Markle in May 2018 marked another shift in the royal family's attitude and relationship to the outside world. A couple of generations earlier the monarchy had an existential crisis over a proposed marriage to an American divorcee: some 80 years later, when Harry's American divorcée was also an actress of mixed race, the royal family — and the nation — took it all in their stride.

Lockdown isolation

During the coronavirus pandemic she spent much of her time at Windsor Castle in isolation with Philip. Her national broadcast during the first lockdown, with its message of “we’ll meet again”, was welcomed as a timely and well-judged boost to the country’s morale. Later she encouraged people to have the vaccine by announcing when she had had it herself.

Philip’s death

Philip’s death in April 2021 after 73 years of marriage was a blow she managed with her customary stoicism. She cut a lonely figure at his socially distanced funeral, but was back at work within a fortnight of his passing.

A Jubilee Surprise

In the midst of duty, tradition and service, she was still capable of surprises. A reminder of that was given during the celebrations for her Platinum Jubilee when she appeared in a film having tea with Paddington Bear, and produced a marmalade sandwich from her handbag.

A promise kept

..... a life dedicated to service. She kept her word.

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II was born on April 21, 1926. She died on September 8, 2022, aged 96.’

Slingsby Church – West Window Project

The west window is one of Slingsby’s Victorian treasures, created in 1869 as part of the rebuilding and restoration of the medieval church for Admiral Edward Howard of Castle Howard, brother of the Earl of Carlisle.

The west window is dedicated to Charles Hardwick (1821-1859). The son of a Slingsby joiner, he rose rapidly through clerical ranks to become archdeacon of Ely, but died tragically in a mountaineering accident in 1854, aged just 38. This window was also paid for by the 6th Earl’s Trustees.

There’s a nice account of his career in Rev’d Arthur St. Clair Brooke’s book on the village, which we hope to revisit in upcoming Local History sessions. The east and west windows are by the famous Victorian stained glass company Clayton & Bell. However, whilst the east window has survived well, the west window has suffered over the years from prevailing westerly winds, water ingress and loss of paint.

We need to find about £25,000 for its restoration by our expert, Philip Barrand of Martin Johnson Stained Glass Co. in York. This will involve:

- Repair of stonework to west window
- Replacement the exterior metal grille with protective glazing
- Conservation cleaning of the stained glass
- Selective, reversible repainting and repair of the stained glass



If you can help us in any way with a donation or fundraising event, this would be warmly welcomed. We are of course, also looking for grants to assist us.

Photos showing West Window from inside the Church



/Slingsby Church – West Window Project continued...

Do go and take a closer look at it, especially when the evening light comes through it at this time of year. At the top of the window are a series of tracery lights featuring four figures, three of whom hold books and another a scroll. These are the **Four Evangelists**, with Matthew, Mark (scroll) and Luke (holding a book and a pen or brush) and John (holding a book and the chalice).

The main figures within the window are leading scholars and founding fathers of the church, who we might imagine were favourites of Charles Hardwick, who during his short career wrote a series of volumes on the Prayer Book, the Christian Church and the Thirty-Nine articles of faith. They include (from left to right):

- **Saint Augustine of Hippo (354-430) shown in a bishop's mitre holding a crozier and a flaming heart**
Beneath him is a scene which depicts the Virgin (seated) and the infant Jesus
- **The Venerable Bede (673-735) depicted in black monk's robes, with a quill, writing the Historia ecclesiastica gentis Anglorum**
Beneath him is a scene depicting two monks – one seated on a bed, the other standing.
- **Saint Jerome (342-420) depicted as a Cardinal in red robes with a cardinal's hat**
Beneath him is a scene of two male figures, both with saints' nimbus, one of whom wears a bishop's mitre. They are reading or consulting a book together.

Kate Giles

Sowers and Growers

In August we welcomed flower arranger Ann Smith and her husband Paul, who regaled us with stories and shared expert tips whilst creating 3 beautiful and quite different flower arrangements.

Useful learning points were:

- Plunge new flowers (from the garden or shop) up to their necks in water for at least 2 hours and ideally overnight.
- Using 'flower food' really does help to prolong blooms.

- Remove all leaves that will be below the water level.
- With carnations, always take off side buds so the main flowers open fully.
- It's fine to cut stems very short, if that's what your arrangement needs.

Some time was spent discussing eco concerns when using oasis and it was good to hear that biodegradable is now available and that the industry is working on improving the period it takes to break down. We were reminded that oasis can be used 4 to 5 times if you are careful to position stems 'right first time' so you don't make extra holes.

At the end of the evening the flower arrangements were raffled – the lucky winners are shown in the picture below.



The September meeting was just as creative, but this time everyone got involved. Club Member, Julia Snowball, very kindly shared her skill of weaving pliable stems – mainly willow – into wreaths. We all surprised ourselves and made a fair job of this and had fun adding bunches of dried foliage. It seemed it was possible to use almost anything gathered up from the garden – including dock seedheads!



Another creative session is planned in October (4th) – we will get our knives out to carve pumpkins in readiness for Halloween. Do come and join us.

Gill Baker

Slingsby Chapel

It was only a few months ago when the nation was celebrating Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee. Celebrations in Slingsby, a wonderful service in the parish church and a grand picnic shared with friends. It is with great sadness; we are now a nation in mourning following the passing of our Queen Elizabeth II. We can of course give thanks for her life, and the long, dedicated service she showed for the good of our nation and beyond, right up to the end. It was wonderful to hear Queen Elizabeth speak about her strong faith, which she would often refer to in many of her messages. We do pray for King Charles III and the Royal Family, now, and for the days ahead.

September can bring new journeys for many, and the church is no exception. It is the church Connexional New Year. Some Ministers may be taking up new appointments in pastures new! In August there was a welcome service for Revd Graham Ransom, as he takes up his new appointment here in our Ryedale circuit. Graham will be a great help, taking some of the pressure of our Superintendent Minister, Revd Peter who has done an amazing job keeping everything going which has also been a difficult year for himself.

We have had different styles of services throughout the summer months. Songs of Praise, Streamlined Services and Café Style Worship, with the music often led by The Worship group. We then continue our fellowship together with coffee/tea and biscuits, or sometimes with tasty fruit scones and chocolate buns. Thank you to our wonderful bakers! As I write this, we will be preparing for our Harvest Festival. We have so much to be thankful and grateful for. God is faithful. We praise Him for His provision and goodness, and the wonderful promises we read in His word, the bible.

Audrey Foster

Stephen's Farming Column

Harvest has gone very well this year and despite the very hot dry weather in mid-summer the crops have yielded very well and of course the grain came in from the combine dry and in some cases even too dry which saved a lot on drying costs.

Wheat prices are still very firm at around £270 per tonne but there is so much uncertainty going forward with input costs increasing every week and considerable uncertainty around the harvest in Ukraine, the bread basket of Europe, and there is no doubt that there will be serious food shortages in many countries especially the poorer countries of the Middle East and East and North Africa.

On the farm the exceptionally dry weather has meant that one of my two ponds completely dried up until the rains of early September and thankfully it now has a little bit of water in it. The larger pond is ok with sufficient water to keep plants and wildlife active. Recently the following birds have been spotted: heron, moorhen, teal (wild duck) and a kingfisher.

Using a trail camera, we have also seen animals coming to drink, namely roe deer, badgers, foxes, hares, squirrels and an otter was also spotted there.

A pair of kestrels has nested again in one of my owl boxes and a pair of stock doves has nested in another one. The English or grey partridge seem to have done particularly well this year and I have seen several large coveys of them around the farm which is very pleasing.

The International Sheepdog Championship is presently being held at Castle Howard and Rachel and I went to see them one day. There are competitors from England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland and it is absolutely marvelous to see the dogs being worked by experts and seeing how well the shepherd and his dogs work together.

Stephen Prest



Picture shows a shepherd and his dog at work.

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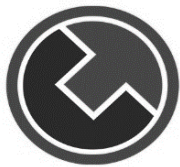
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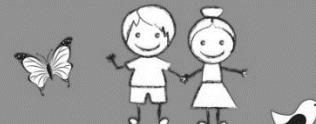
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Slingsby Sports and Social Club

We have had an incredibly busy and rewarding summer which in many ways culminated with a fantastic bank holiday weekend at the end of August which had the feel of a cricket festival.

On the Saturday we played a friendly cricket match against a touring team from Lancaster and although the scratch team that Slingsby managed to assemble for the game didn't win there is no doubt that a fantastic day was had by all!

That served as the perfect warm up for the second Dave Calvert Memorial Cricket match which was held on the Sunday. Once again, this event, now a fixture in the social calendar, was incredibly well supported and a fantastic and enjoyable day was had by all. So many special memories were created that day, including the wonderful site of seeing dads playing cricket with their sons including Lee Turner playing with son Zach and in competition against Ashley. It was also great to see villager Rob Hicks playing with his son Reuben who was perhaps the stand out performer for the Dave Calvert XI. We look forward to welcoming back Reuben (and Rob) next year. In a close contest the Dave Calvert XI once again came away with the trophy.

Thanks to the incredible generosity of so many people in giving up their time and donating raffle prizes, as well as making donations into the donation buckets that were around the club, the amazing amount of £636 was raised. This year the money went towards two charities, The Yorkshire Air Ambulance and The Stroke Association.

As a club we are always looking at how we can develop and increase the service that we are able to offer to the community. We have had a new sound system installed which enhances the experience of the club, both for people listening to music but also when we have live sport on the big screen. We have also recently had a new CCTV system installed in order to improve the security of the play area and the club overall.

We are delighted that we once again have regular football matches being played at the club, with Malton and Norton Veterans playing a number of games at Slingsby this season on Sunday mornings.

We are also thrilled to announce that we will once again have a reformed Slingsby Football Club playing on Saturdays. The team will be playing matches from this season at Slingsby and it is fantastic to see regular football on the field.

We are very mindful that the club should provide the best sporting, social and play facilities possible and we are always looking at ways to improve what the club is able to offer. We will continue to work hard as a committee to develop new plans to try and enhance the club and are working on proposals to develop a long-term plan, which will hopefully enable the club to be able to offer improved sports changing facilities and showers as well as making the club more accessible for people with limited mobility including disabled toilet facilities.

The club will shortly be approaching its 35th Anniversary since opening in 1988 and we are starting to give consideration to the best way to celebrate the huge amounts of effort that have gone into the club over those many years. If anybody has any specific thoughts or ideas regarding an appropriate way to celebrate the anniversary, please feel free to get in touch and share your views, they would be most welcome.

As always, we know that the club and the Sportsfield are a special place for many members of the community and we will continue to work hard to ensure that the facilities remain accessible for generations to come.

At the time of writing, we are all adjusting to the sad loss of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, a remarkable monarch who was a role model to so many of us. The celebrations for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee will live long in the memory of everybody that attended and took part and were a fitting tribute to the Queen's many years of dedicated service.

As we now look forward to the reign of King Charles III, we will no doubt have the opportunity to come together in celebration when the time comes for the formal coronation of the king. I am sure that this community and the nation as a whole we will join together on that day to mark the occasion of his coronation and the club will be delighted to be part of those celebrations in whatever form they take.

Paul Hogarth

Allotment News

Space is short for this edition, so just the highlights.

- The Allotment is giving us things to pick every day: tomatoes, peppers, cucumbers, apples, blackberries, carrots, broccoli, courgettes, French beans, lettuce and beetroot.
- Potatoes and onions are in store, and cherries, damsons and redcurrants are in the freezer.
- The rain in early September was very welcome and helped our struggling brassicas and leeks.
- A super apple and bramble crumble was shared with the family over the weekend.
- Weeds are still flourishing!

More next time

Terry Baker



MOBILE PHONE/BANK CARD CRIME ADVICE

Do you keep your mobile phone and bank card together? Do you use online banking? If so, please read on...

Sometimes people keep their bank card in the back of their phone case or have their phone and bank cards together in their bag or wallet, but that may not be the best idea!

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Thieves are stealing phones and bank cards together, so that they can steal your money online.

Once they have the phone and the card, they register the card on the relevant bank's app on their own phone or computer. Since it is the first time that card will have been used on the new device, a one-off security passcode is demanded.

That verification passcode is sent by the bank to the stolen phone. The code flashes up on the locked screen of the stolen phone, leaving the thief to tap it into their own device. Once accepted, they have control of the bank account. They can transfer money, buy goods or change access to the account. They have even transferred money from people's savings accounts into their current account first so that they can steal more money in one go.

Criminals have been taking advantage of this in other parts of the country, but we don't believe there are any reports in North Yorkshire so far.

They have also been targeting lockers in gyms, even going to the extent of selecting people by the car they drive or jewellery they are wearing etc. If you use gym lockers or any other public lockers, it's advisable that you do not keep your phone and card in there together where possible.

YOU CAN STOP THIS WITH A FEW SIMPLE STEPS?

Never keep your card in your phone case. If the thief does not have both, they are limited as to what they can do.

- Try not to keep both your phone and card in your bag or wallet together.
- Another way is to make sure they cannot read the verification code sent by the bank. This is done in your phone's settings as follows:

For iPhones:

- Go to Settings
- Scroll to Messages
- Scroll to Notifications
- Scroll to Show Previews where there are three choices: Always / When Unlocked / Never
- Select either When Unlocked or Never. Your messages will no longer flash up when your phone is locked

For Android:

- Go to Settings
- Select Lock Screen
- Select Notifications
- Select Hide Content. Your messages will no longer flash up when your phone is locked

ENERGY REBATE SCAMS

Action Fraud is warning the public about a sharp rise in reports relating to fake emails purporting to be from Ofgem, the independent energy regulator for Great Britain. The emails claim that the recipient is due a rebate payment as part of a government scheme and provides links for the recipient to follow in order to apply for the rebate. The links in the emails lead to malicious websites designed to steal personal and financial information.

Between Monday 22nd August 2022 and Monday 5th September 2022, a total of 1,567 phishing emails related to this scam have been reported via the Suspicious Email Reporting Service (SERS). All the emails display the email subject header "Claim your bill rebate now".

Offenders are using the Ofgem brand logo and colours to make the emails look as authentic as possible. However, the emails ask recipients to “apply for an energy bill rebate before September 2020”, which is what prompted many recipients to realise the emails weren’t genuine. You can view examples of the fake emails in our social media posts on *Twitter*, *Facebook* and *Instagram*.

How you can protect yourself and others

If you have any doubts about a message, contact the organisation directly. Don’t use the numbers or address in the message – use the details from their official website. Remember, your bank (or any other official source) **will never ask you to supply personal information via email**.

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Friends of Slingsby School (FOSS)

We are so thrilled to report that the Duck Race was as successful in fundraising as it was enjoyable, raising over £4000! This brought our total donation to the school at the end of the academic year to just under £8000. A huge thank you to everyone who has donated in any way to help us achieve this fantastic sum. Let's hope the coming year is as successful!

Looking ahead, some dates for the calendar are as follows:

- Wednesday 12th October - FOSS AGM
- Wednesday 19th October - Slingsby School Halloween party
- Friday 4th November - Bag2school collection
- Saturday 26th November - Christmas Fair
- Thursday 8th December - Slingsby School Christmas production including raffle draw

The Bag2school collection will take place on the Green on the morning of the 4th. Donations do need to be in place by 9am so please get in touch with us at friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk if you need any assistance with collection. A list of items that can be donated can be found at bag2school.com under 'what we collect'.

The Christmas Fair will take place in the village hall in the afternoon, where there will be a range of stallholders and festive family fun.

Our 'easyfundraising' donations continue to boost our fundraising efforts. Whilst these donations make up a small proportion of what we raise annually, every penny counts and in total since signing up to this initiative we have collected over £400. The donated money comes from large companies when you shop online costing you nothing, so it's well worth signing up for. More information is available at:

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We are very pleased to welcome some new parents to our team of volunteers this year. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Helen Mackinder

Village Hall News

What's on October

Sat 1 st	Bingo at 7.15pm
Sun 2 nd	Bacon Butties from 10.30am
Tues 4 th	Yoga with Tracy Fletcher 6.45 – 8.45pm
Tues 4 th	Sowers and Growers at 7pm (Committee Room)
Thurs 6 th	Yoga with Tracy Fletcher 6.45 – 8.45pm
Fri 7 th	Keep Fit Beginners 9.30-10.30am
Sat 8 th	Italian Evening (for Church) 6.30pm
Tues 11 th	Yoga with Tracy 6.45 – 8.45pm
Fri 14 th	Keep Fit 9.30-10.30am
Tues 18 th	Yoga with Tracy 6.45 – 8.45pm
Thurs 20 th	Yoga with Tracy 6.45 – 8.45pm
Mon 24 th	Badminton 7.30pm
	Half Term

What's on November

Tues 1 st	Sowers and Growers at 7pm (Committee Room)
Sun 6 th	Bacon Butties from 10.30am
Mon 7 th	Badminton 7.30pm
Tues 8 th	Yoga – TBC – 6.45pm
Thurs 10 th	Yoga – TBC – 6.45pm
Mon 14 th	Badminton 7.30pm
Tues 15 th	Yoga – TBC – 6.45pm
Mon 21 st	Badminton 7.30pm
Tues 22 nd	Yoga – TBC – 6.45pm
Thurs 24 th	Yoga – TBC – 6.45pm
Sat 26 th	Christmas Fayre FOSS 10am-2pm
Mon 28 th	Badminton 7.30pm
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Musical Moments provides stimulating and interactive musical activities for care settings, community groups and individuals.



Managing Director Maggie Baker is positive for the future. "We've branched out into more community groups, additional needs centres, dementia cafés and many other venues wanting to generate some joy and social inclusion," says Maggie, who joined the company in 2019. "Diversification has been key, and now that care settings and community groups

are opening up again after the pandemic, our offering is much broader."

Musical Moments sessions are fun, energetic, and fully accessible, involving lots of sensory props, movement, and singing – all, of course, to great music. The team has evaluated activities in order to make them Covid-safe for vulnerable groups and individuals, and is ready to adapt to specific setting requirements. These local community musicians can even work one-to-one with people in their own home, and gift vouchers are also available to gift loved ones with a musical experience to enjoy.

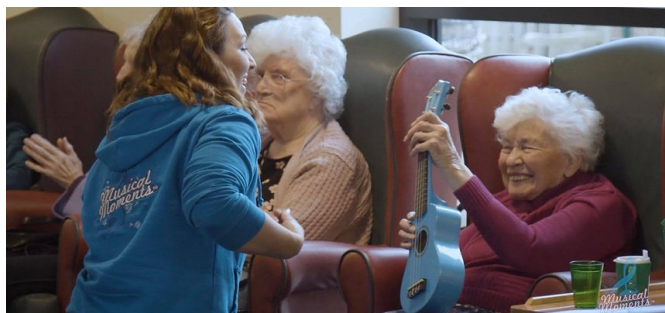
Every member of the Musical Moments team is passionate about the therapeutic benefits of music for groups and individuals with physical and mental disabilities, people with dementia and other conditions as well as with care home residents. And after so long apart from loved ones and society, the benefits of a quality, in-person musical session are even more apparent.

"Our activities harness the power of music to stimulate movement, role play activities and reminiscence activities," says Maggie, recalling the joy of seeing a recent client – a generally non-verbal lady with dementia - able to sing along with the words of a much-loved song. "Music brings such joy and a sense of togetherness for people – something that we all really need after so long in isolation."

But it's not just participants who benefit from these activities – they're also appreciated by carers, staff and family members. The pandemic has reignited public appreciation for those who've looked after vulnerable members of society over the last two years, and a Musical Moments session provides some light relief for caring staff. Family members can also spend time with a relative without the pressure of conversation or having to remember things – instead, they can simply enjoy the activities together.

Musical Moments work with consultants including adaptive movement specialists and a Music Therapist who endorse their sessions and ensure they provide the greatest physical and mental health benefits for their clients. All team members have full insurance, safeguarding training, and DBS checks.

Above all, the Musical Moments team cares about bringing joy to the lives of others through music – something that really strikes a chord in a post-pandemic world.



For more information about joining the team or to book a session with Musical Moments, contact hello@musical-moments.co.uk
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At present Musical Moments is providing sessions in local Care Homes at The Hall, Thornton Dale; Isabella Court, Pickering; Rivermead and Beechwood Place in Norton. As well as more widely across our region.

Juicing in Fryton



Neighbours in Fryton got together recently at Paddy and Gill Morrow's to chop and press our surplus apples to bottle as apple juice. A lot of washing, chopping and pressing using a borrowed apple press was done

Grapes were pressed too. The juice is delicious with a different taste and colour for different varieties. It's surprising how much there is!



Photos show in order: pressing, a range of Fryton produced products and toasting the work done.

Colin Douthwaite

49th Slingsby Produce Show

A huge thank you to everyone who came to support our 49th annual Produce Show recently. Entries were up on last year, which is brilliant as it makes it all worthwhile. Thank you also for your generous door donations.

Despite the hot, dry summer we had a great display of fruit, vegetables and flowers; a lovely array of handicrafts and other works of art and an excellent display of children's handwriting and drawings. Thank you to the school for supporting us and helping to keep this village tradition going.

Next September is the show's 50th anniversary, so we will have to pull out all the stops to make the show bigger and better than ever!

Carol Thornley, Treasurer



Pictures from the Show are included here and on the next page





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